

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER PREPARATION**

Tuesday, March 1, 2005

2:40 P.M.

Room 326, House Office Building

Chairman Wenke called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Wenke, Emmons, Byrnes, Lipsey, Kehrl. (5/7)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Palmer, Ward. (2/7)

Representative Emmons moved to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2005 meeting.

Representative Byrnes supported the motion. Without objections, the minutes were approved.

Representative Kehrl moved to excuse absent members. **Representative Emmons** supported the motion. No objections being made, absent members were excused.

Chairman Wenke laid **HB 4143** and **HB 4144** before the committee.

HB 4143	Moolenaar	Education; students; definition of "eligible student"; revise in postsecondary enrollment options act.
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HB 4144	Moolenaar	Education; students; definition of "eligible student"; clarify in career and technical preparation act.
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Representative Moolenaar, sponsor of the legislation, testified before the committee.

Bob Morris, representing the Michigan Department of Education, testified before the committee in support of **HB 4143** and **HB 4144**.

Ellen Hoekstra, representing the Association of Michigan School Counselors, turned in a testimony card with a neutral position on **HB 4143** and **HB 4144** but did not wish to speak.

Tom Martin, representing the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 4144** but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **2:54 p.m.**

Representative Lorence Wenke, Chair

Eric Esch, Committee Clerk
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